

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
LOK SABHA**

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SCIENCE TECHNOLOGY PROPOSALS FROM MAHARASHTRA
Chavda Shri Harisinh Pratapsinh

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government of Maharashtra has sent proposals to Union Government for development of Science and Technology during the last three years and current year;
- (b) if so, the details thereof with cost involved year-wise;
- (c) the decision of the Government on these proposals;
- (d) the number of proposals rejected by the Government alongwith the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the number of proposals pending with the Government at present concerning Government of Maharashtra?

Answer

MINISTER OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTER OF EARTH SCIENCES (KAPIL SIBAL)

(a) No, Sir. The Ministry of Science and Technology in the Union Government does not provide financial assistance to State Governments. However, the Union Government supports scientific research proposals received from research & development institutions, universities, voluntary organizations, state science & technology councils and other autonomous organizations in various states including state of Maharashtra. According to available official statistics, the union government have funded 266, 473 and 363 research and development projects at a total cost of Rs. 57.85 crores, Rs.48.73 crores and Rs. 57.55 crores during the years 2002-2003, 2003-2004 and 2004-2005 respectively in the state of Maharashtra.

(b) to (e): Does not arise.